

St Mary's

Home



MARCH BREAK &
SUMMER BOOKLET

MUSEUMS

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF HISTORY

100 Rue Laurier, Gatineau, QC

(819)-776-7000

<https://historymuseum.ca/>



Free Admission: Thursdays 5:00 p.m-7:00 pm year-round

Special Events:

- March Break with CBC Kids (March 4th-13th)
 - Meet characters, see live performances
- Canada Day Celebrations
 - Free admission, special activities, interactive exhibits, performances and family-friendly activities



CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE

240 McLeod St, Ottawa ON

(613)-566-4700

<https://nature.ca/en/>



Free Admission: Thursdays 5:00 p.m-8:00 p.m year-round and Canada Day (July 1st from 9:30 a.m- 5:00 p.m)

Special Events: *See Website for Ticket availability and Times*

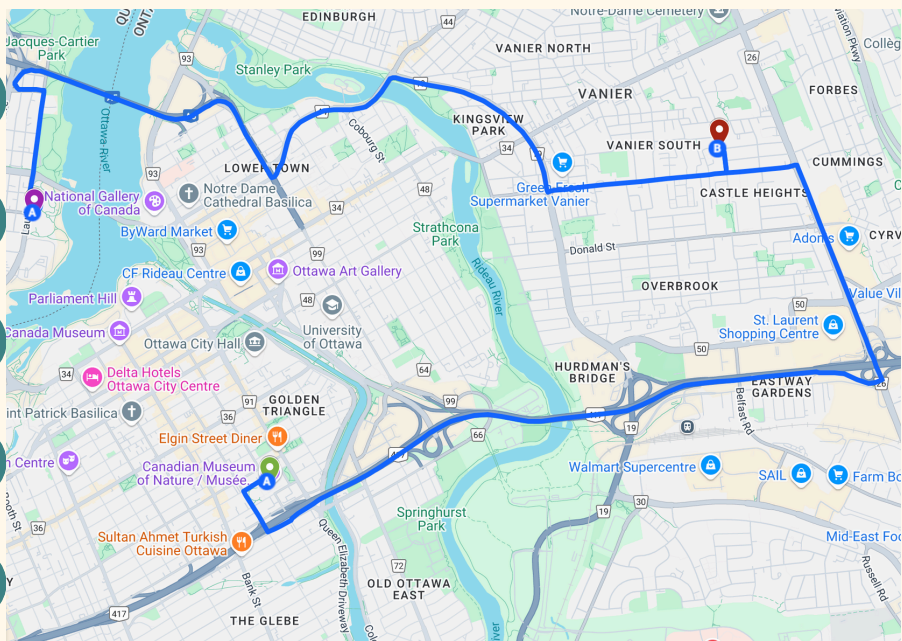
- Butterflies in Flight (Daily Availability until January 2026)
 - Thursdays; Free for children 0-2, Children 3-12 and Adults \$6
- Our Land, Our Art (Indigenous Art Exhibit)
 - Available daily until August 17th, 2025
- Rewilding: The David Suzuki Foundation (Contemporary Art)
 - Available daily until September 8th, 2025

MUSEUMS MAPS

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF HISTORY (A)

CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE (A)

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MUSEUMS

CANADA AVIATION AND SPACE MUSEUM

11 Aviation Pkwy, Ottawa, ON

(613)-991-3044

<https://ingeniumcanada.org/aviation>



Free Admission: Daily 4:00 p.m-5:00 pm year-round, Canada Day (July 1st) and National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (September 30th)

Special Events:

- March Break: Solar system crafts (March 10-14, 2025)
 - Create an earth-moon-sun system, learning
- March Break: Creating Craters (March 10-14, 2025)
 - Discover how they're formed and how they're studied
- Summer Break: Canada Day Celebrations (July 1st, 2025)
- Interactive exhibits, live performances & family-friendly activities



CANADIAN AGRICULTURE AND FOOD MUSEUM

901 Prince of Wales Dr, Ottawa, ON

(613)-991-3044

<https://ingeniumcanada.org/agriculture>



Free Admission: Daily 4:00 p.m-5:00 pm year-round, Canada Day (July 1st) and National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (September 30th)

Special Events:

- Spring on the Farm (March 7th- 15th, 2025)
 - Meeting newborn farm animals, doing hands-on agriculture activities, learning about the importance of farming
- Canada Day Celebrations
 - Interactive exhibits, family-friendly activities
- Summer Farm Fun
 - Guided tours, cooking demonstrations, outdoor games

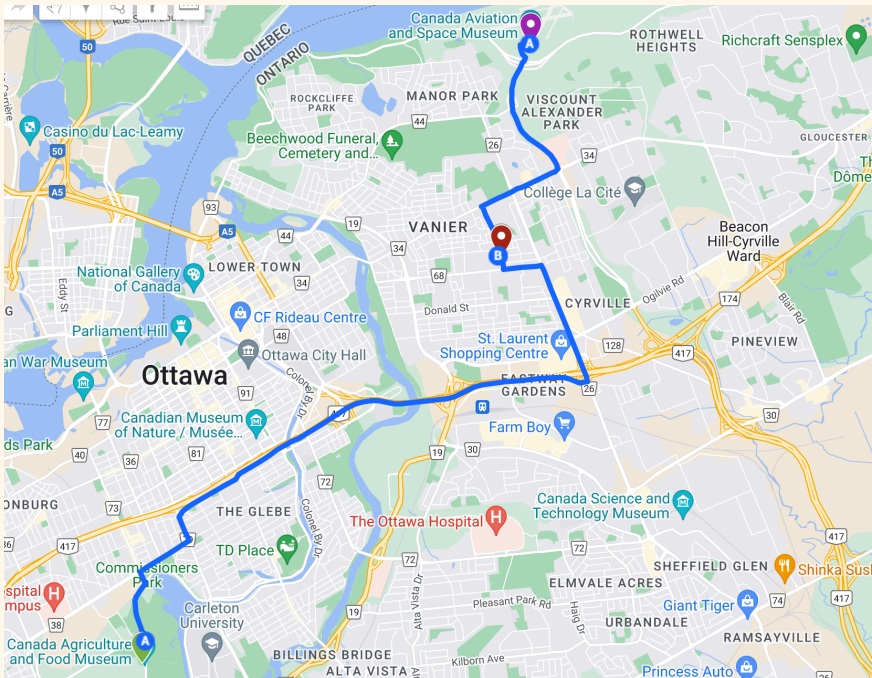


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MUSEUMS

CANADIAN WAR MUSEUM

1 Vimy PL, Ottawa, ON

1-800-555-5621

<https://warmuseum.ca/>



Free Admission: Thursday evenings from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM year-round,
Canada Day (July 1st) from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Special Events:

- Animal Heroes (March 4th- 19th, 2025)
 - Activities highlighting connections between animals and military history
 - Making medals for pets, interactive card games, reptile shows on Saturdays
 - March Break: Creating Craters (March 10-14, 2025)
 - Discover how they're formed and how they're studied
 - Summer Break: Canada Day Celebrations (July 1st, 2025)
 - Interactive exhibits, live performances & family-friendly activities
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THE BANK OF CANADA MUSEUM

30 Bank Street, Ottawa ON

(613)-782-8914

<https://www.bankofcanadamuseum.ca/>



Free Admission at all times

Special Events:

- Counterfeiting: Learn from the Experts
 - March 13th to 14th 11:00 a.m to 3:00 p.m
- Real or Fake
 - March 10th-14th 10:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m
- Drawing with Coin Rubbings
 - March 10th to 14th 10:00 a.m to 5:00 p.m
- I Spy Canadian Symbols
 - March 10th to 14th 10:0 a.m to 5:00 p.m

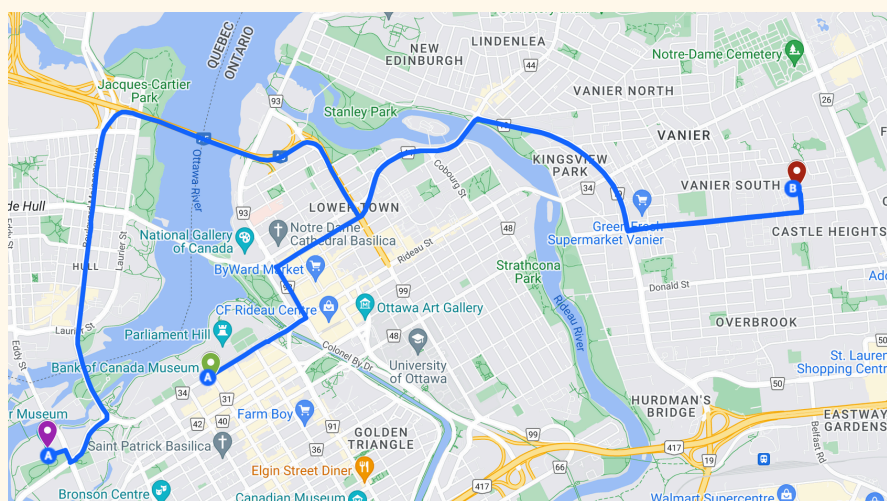


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CANADIAN WAR MUSEUM (A)

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EVENTS

NATIONAL ARTS CENTRE

1 Elgin St, Ottawa, ON K1N 8X5

613) 594-5127

<https://nac-cna.ca/en/venue/southam-hall>



Event: Family Adventures with the NAC Orchestra

Admission: You have to buy tickets online (for those under 30, the tickets are 15\$ each)

- Family-friendly concerts that introduce children to classical music, engaging performances and interactive activities
 - Ages 3-8
- Concert times
 - Mar 27th @8pm, Mar 28th @8pm and then Mar 29th @2pm or 8pm



Event: Toddler Tuesdays (June 30th- September 1st)

Admission: Free

- A free program for young children and caregivers. Music, dance & storytelling sessions
 - Toddlers 18 months to 5 years
- Times
 - Tuesday June 17th 2025 @10am



Event: Canada Day Celebrations; free performances and activities



Event: Summer Music Series

- Outdoor concerts: classical, jazz, and contemporary music
- Ottawa Jazz Festival: Friday, June 20th to Sunday, June 29th. Festival hours are from 12 pm to 1:00am
- Free for those under 12
- 13 to 25 can buy a youth ticket



Event: Dance Workshops (June 30th- September 1st)

Admission: Free

- Led by professional dancers



EVENTS

RCMP CANADIAN SUNSET CEREMONIES

Musical Ride Centre

RCMP Rockcliffe Stables

1 Sandridge Road Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0R2



Event: Musical Ride Sunset Ceremonies (Dates for 2025 not yet released)

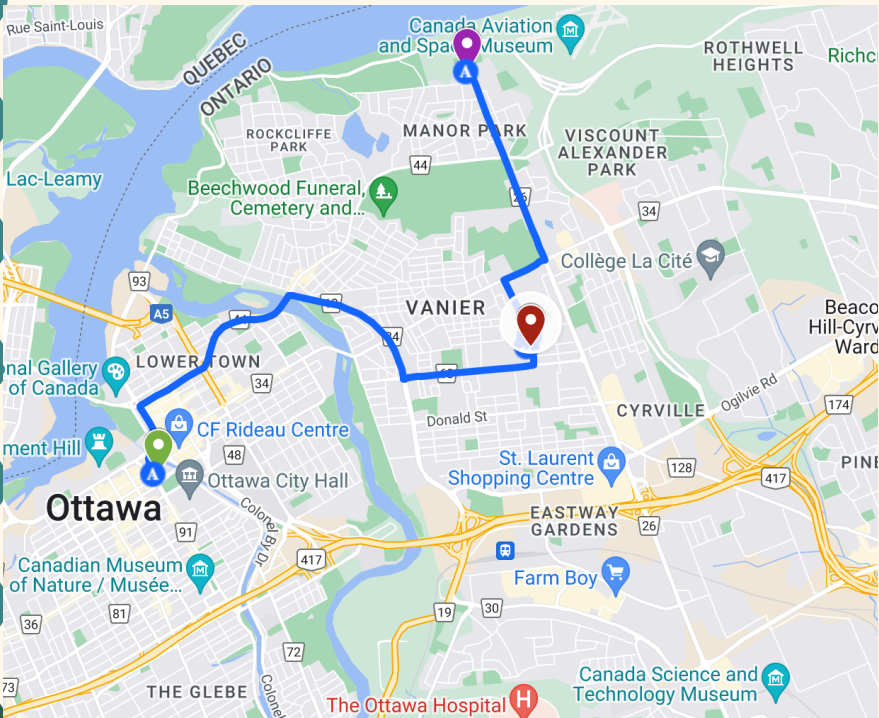
Admission: Free

- RCMP Musical Ride, complex cavalry figures and drills with music
- Sunset Retreat Ceremonies (July 1st) (continuing on select Tuesday evenings)
 - Cadet marching band, cannon drill, lowering Canadian flag, dismounted cavalry drills, famous scarlet tunic
 - Fun
 - Safe
 - Family-friendly
 - Limited free parking available in a field beside the Sir George-Étienne-Cartier Parkway
 - Public transportation is encouraged
 - Dress for the weather - it's at the outdoor riding arena
 - Bring a blanket or lawn chair for comfort
 - Food vendors will be on site
 - We don't allow pets on the grounds during events, please keep your furry friends at home (service animals are permitted)



EVENTS MAP

RCMP CANADIAN SUNSET CEREMONIES (A)
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ACTIVITÉS

OTTAWA ART GALLERY

50 Mackenzie King Bridge, Ottawa ON

(613)-233-8699

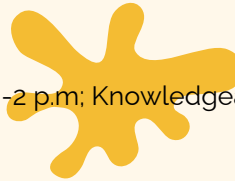
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Free Admission at all times

Special Events:

- Creative Sundays
 - Monthly drop-in activities 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; Knowledgeable gallery educator, explore creativity
- Toddler Mornings
 - 1st Wednesday of the month from 10 a.m to 11:30 a.m
 - Creative play, games & activities to foster creativity and problem-solving skills
- Art Tent
 - Mobile art studio, fun friendly and bilingual creative exploration



NATIONAL GALLERY OF OTTAWA

380 Sussex Dr, Ottawa, ON

613)-990-1985

<https://www.gallery.ca/>

Free Admission: Thursday evenings from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM year-round

Special Events:

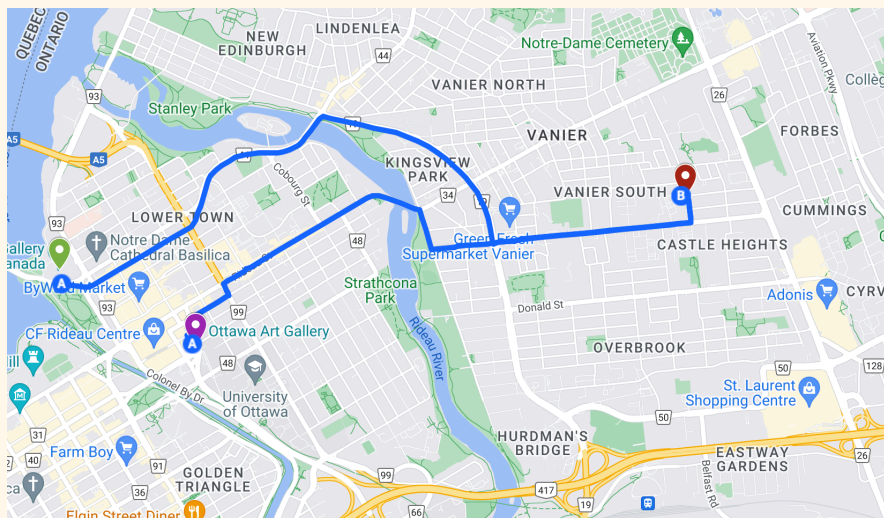
- March Break Edition: Sketching in the Galleries (March 1st to 16th 2025)
- Public Guided Tours
 - Summer
- Open Studio Workshops
 - Summer

ACTIVITES

OTTAWA ART GALLERY (A)

NATIONAL GALLERY OF OTTAWA (A)

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ACTIVITES

OTTAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY - ST-LAURENT

515 Coté St, Ottawa, ON K1K 0Z8

(613) 580-2940

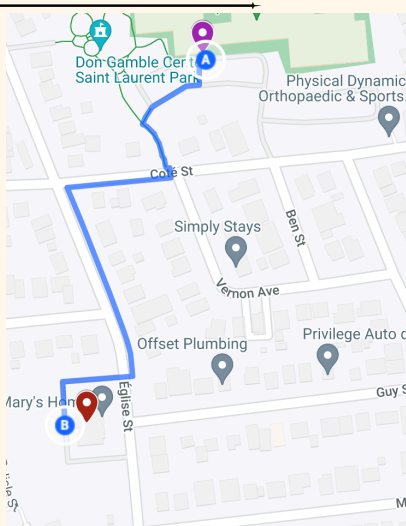
<https://bibliottawalibrary.ca/en/branch/st-laurent>

Free Admission at all times

Special Events:

- Métamorphoses à la Galerie d'art d'Ottawa
 - March 10th 2:00 p.m: Ages 7-12
 - "Nous jouerons avec de l'argile pour sculpter nos propres créatures imaginaires"
- Buildaroo: Science & Engineering Foundation
 - March 12th 2:00 p.m: Ages 4-6
 - Children engage with concepts like kinetic energy, simple machines, speed, distance, friction, and more as you create an experiment
- Codes and Ciphers 101-Breakout Room edition
 - March 13th, 2:00 p.m: Ages 10-12
 - Become a master code breaker and solve the puzzles of our breakout room
- Game On!/ 1, 2, 3... Au jeu!
 - March 15th, 10:00 a.m, Ages 6-12
 - Play card games or board games at the library drop-in program

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ACTIVITES

OTTAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY - VANIER

310 Pères-Blancs Ave, Vanier, ON K1L 5C6

(613) 580-2940

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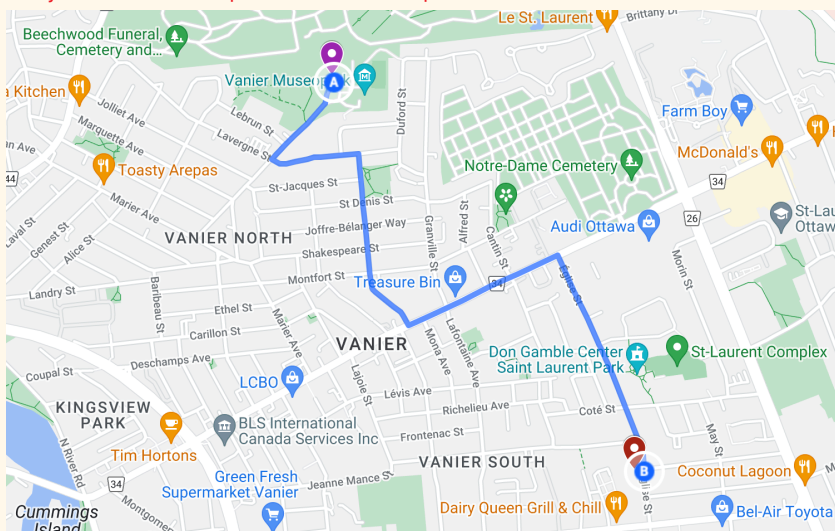
Free Admission at all times

Special Events:

- Science Detective (FRENCH)
 - March 10th, 2:00 p.m, Ages 7-12
 - "Nous utiliserons la science judiciaire pour trouver des indices en examinant nos empreintes digitales et dentaires ou encore, en analysant des poudres mystérieuses"
- Mission 1960: Coding for Spies (Bilingual)
 - March 12th, 10:30 a.m, Ages 7-12
 - Learn the different languages, codes, and ways spies sent and received messages. Create your own coded messages



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OTTAWA PUBLIC LIBRARY - RIDEAU

377 Rideau St, Ottawa, ON K1N 5Y6

(613) 580-2940

<https://bibliooottawalibrary.ca/en/branch/rideau>

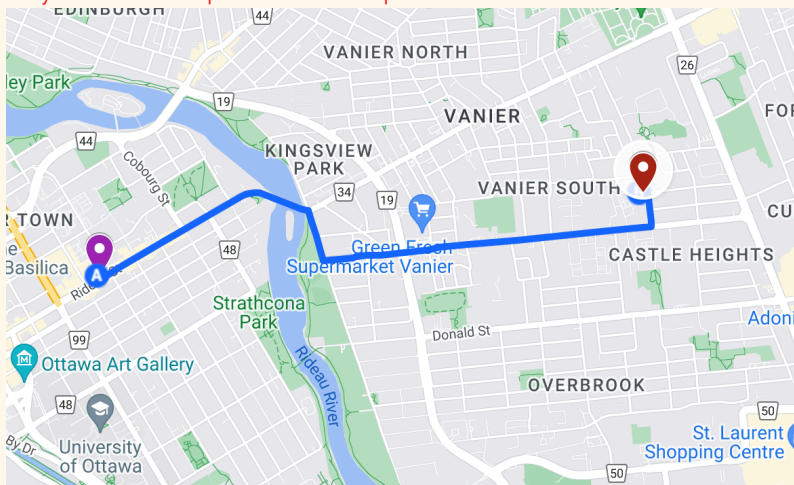
Free Admission at all times

Special Events:

- Meet the Parrots
 - March 10th, 2:00 p.m
 - Ages 4+
 - Meet a few parrots from different areas of the world, and learn interesting entertaining facts and stories about their natures and lives in the wild and in our homes. Opportunity to give parrots a treat or drink, take photos with parrots
- Bilingual Family Storytime
 - March 11th, 10:30 a.m,
 - All ages
 - Stories, rhymes and songs for children of all ages. Followed by an optional 30 minutes of socialization



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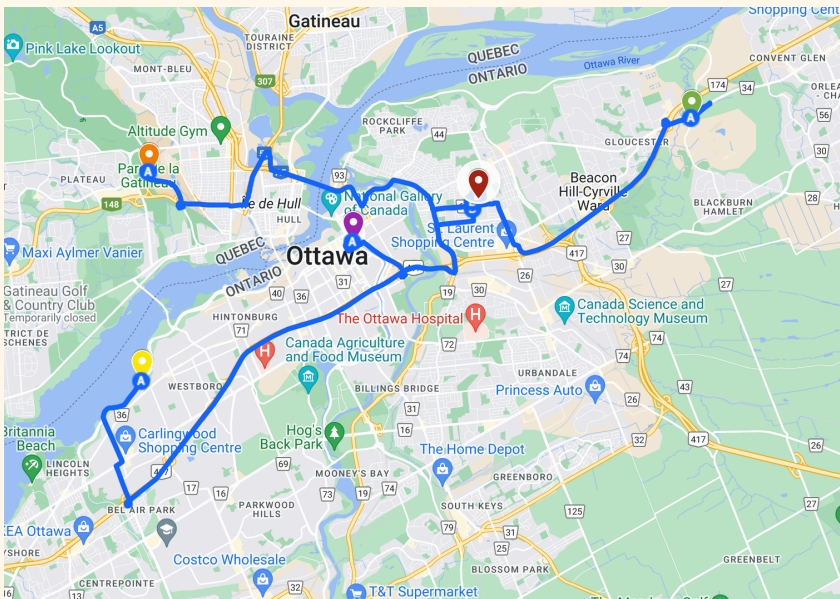
ACTIVITIES

CYCLING

- Rideau Canal Parkway
- Ottawa River Pathway
- Gatineau Park
- Greenbelt Pathways
 - Key Areas: Shirley's Bay (West), Stony Swamp (Southwest), Pinhey Forest (South)



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PARKS, SPLASH PADS & WADING POOLS

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- Plouffe Park (Near Plant Recreation Centre, Downtown) SP
 - Riverside South Splash Pad
 - St Luke's Park (Centretown) SP WP
 - Alta Vista Park SP WP
 - Brantwood Park (Old Ottawa East) SP
 - Landsdowne Park (Glebe) SP
 - Richelieu Park (Vanier) SP
 - Kingsmere Park (Westboro) SP WP
 - Iona Park (Civic Hospital Area) SP WP
 - Pauline Vanier Park (Barrhaven) SP WP
 - Riverside Memorial Park (Vanier) SP



SP= Splash Pad

WP= Wading Pool

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- Brewer Park Wading Pool (Ottawa South)
 - Strathcona Park Wading Pool (Sandy Hill)
 - Agincourt Park Wading Pool (Nepean)
 - Sylvia Holdren Park Wading Pool (Glebe)
 - Chaudiere Park Wading Pool (Downtown Area)
 - Elmdale Park Wading Pool (Vanier)
 - Kiwanis Park Wading Pool (Vanier)



LIBRARIES

- Main Library (120 Metcalfe St)
- St-Laurent Branch (515 Cote St)
- Vanier Branch (310 Peres Blancs Ave)
- North Gloucester Branch (2036 Ogilvie Rd)
- Carlingwood Branch (281 Woodroffe Ave)
- Greenboro Branch (363 Lorry Greenberg Dr)
- Elmvale Acres Branch (1910 St. Laurent Blvd)
- Sunnyside Branch (1049 Bank St)
- Cumberland Branch (1599 Tenth Line Rd)
- Alta Vista Branch (2516 Alta Vista Dr)



MARCH BREAK CAMPS

BUSY MINDS

- Fun games, creative crafts, and activities promoting mindfulness & self-awareness
 - St. Peter High School
 - 750 Charlemagne Blvd Orléans, ON K4A 2V1
 - 8:30 a.m to 4:30 p.m
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